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BORIS THE SPIDER

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"Oh, what a tangled web we weave
When first we practice to deceive."

---Sir Walter Scott---



15 Jan 97

'BORIS XI' STARTS!

We have a quorum for "Boris XI", our next DIP game. The cast is: Dave Anderson (England), Peter Boyum (Austria), Rich Goranson (Turkey), Dan Gorham (Russia), Seth Gunar (Germany), Matt Martinson (France), and Kevin Wilson (Italy). Deadline for Spring 1991 orders is 8 Mar, so use your extra month to plot and scheme wisely.

It is indeed good that "Boris XI" is starting, as it looks like "Boris X" is about to go into the record book.

With America OnLine in near gridlock (I tried 38 times, at two dial-ups each, over a 4.5 hr period last night and never even got past the local node) e-mailers will want to e-mail early and to cc my Eglin address.

STANDBY ALERT: We have openings for the following positions:

BRITANNIA: Blue was NMR. Anyone interested in possibly assuming the Blue position should submit standby orders for the Angles (Turn 8) and for the Picts (Turn 9).

1830: Shane Beck's portfolio may be up for grabs. Interested parties should send standby orders for SR4 to Mark Frueh.

BORIS'S BULLETIN BOARD

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: "This is a priceless possessionⁿ which we cannot afford to tarnish, but society always is attempting to make the physician into a killer" to kill the defective child at birth, to leave the sleeping pills beside the bed of the cancer patient ... "It is the duty of society to protect the physician from such requests." --- Margaret Mead

Looks like the Osbornes and Dave Anderson are planning to make the pilgrimage to AvalonCon this year. Any other Borisers heading out that way? Will there at last be a Team Boris? Ms Nar wants to know.

BOOS & KUDOS

This month's Madame Bolduc Press Excellence Award (and free issue) goes to John Bulitta for his press in LIFTOFF!

This month's Ms Nar Super-Sudsy Bomb is lobbed at John Bryden for delay of games.

PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS HERE (MAYBE):

DEADLINE FOR MOST GAMES IS NOON (CST) 8 FEB 97



PEACE FAILS! Italy Stabbed! Spring 1918

IX
1995X

CLEARWINE: Upon the failure of the latest Austrian Peace Proposal, Emperor Karl Kevin has evidently decided to forgo dickering and force a solution upon a reluctant Europe. He now sits atop 20 centers. In doing so, he wasted a singular opportunity for an Italian breakthrough into the Atlantic that could have meant both the swift execution of England and also leave the Italian homeland bereft of defenders in the face of charging Austrian forces. Nonetheless, victory appears to be his. While SPA will likely fail, unless a retreat into MAR can be thwarted, it does little good. BEL could fall to Anglo-Italian forces, but how likely is that? VEN cannot be saved by force. The other Austrian centers look secure.

The A/I draw fails 1-2-3.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Austria build A BUD and A VIE, Germany disbands F DEN.

AUS (Wilson): A StP-Nwy, A Fin S A StP-Nwy, F Gre-Ion, A Tri-Ven, A Tri S A Tri-Ven, A Vie-Boh, A Bud-Gal, A Pru-Lyn, A St-Ber, A Ber-Kie, A Mun S A Ber-Kie, A Kie-Hol, A Ruh S A Kie-Hol, [F Spa(ec)-Mar]
ENG (Anderson): [A Par-Bre], F Mid H, F Eng-Nth, F Bre-Eng, F Nth-Sks, F Por S F Mid.
GER (J. Shacklett): [F Bal-Arg(nap)]
ITA (Fisher): [F Naf-Mid], [F Tun-Naf], [F Tyn-Tun], F Wes S F Naf-Mid, [A Pie-Mar], A Bur-Pic, [A Gsa-Bre], A Bel S A Bur-Pic, [A Hol S A Bel](d)
RUS (Meinick): A Swe-Den.

New Proposal: A/I/E draw. NMR = "yes". A forced win will take priority over elected draw.

Orders in brackets fail; d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; imp = impossible; nou = not own unit, nao = unit not so ordered; nap = no such place; nau = no such unit; oth = off the board; ofm = unit on the move, (u) = unit unordered.

Due next time are votes on an 'A/E/I draw' and orders for Fall 1918.

EMBASSY BEAT

BALTIC SEA: The German navy refuses defeat. At the invitation of the Argentine government, the Kaiser's navy will escort him to Argentina where he will add the might of the German navy to the Argentine Navy, and receive an appointment as Admiral of the Navy. German Navy SI!

WASHINGTON: President Taft has asked Congress to pass an unprecedented peacetime military draft and to vote funds to build an 800-ship navy. Citing the *opere* of Counterreformationist Austria's looming world dictatorship, the President clearly stated his intention to keep America free of the Austrian yoke and safe for Protestantism.



"Your dog ate your proposal? Grow up, Wilson!"



Austria in Obli-vion Disorder! Italy Returns!



Fall 1985

1996G

ERRATA: English [F Nwy-Nth], [A Fin-Nwy] and German [A Kie-Den], [F Den-Nth] all failed. Italian [A Tri H] [u, r-???].

MINAS MORGUL: Austria is but one step away from oblivion. Italy just missed taking a massive hit when both France and Turkey went for NAP instead of divvying up NAP and TUN between them. France is in deep trouble with her capital in British hands and a rampaging German horde in BUR. Russia just bides his time in the snow belt.

TROOP MOVEMENTS

Italian A TRI retreated to VIE.

AUS (J. Shacklett): A Trl A S Trl-Ven, A Tri-Ven;

ENG (Fisher): [F Bre H] [r-???], A Pic to Par, F Nwy to Nth, A StP II, A Fin S A StP;

FRA (Deb Osborne): F Lys-Spa [Sci], [F Tyn-Nap], A Gae S A Par-Bre, A Mar-Pie, A Par-Bre;

GER (Boyum): A Mun S A Ruh-Bur, A Ruh-Bur, A Bel S A Ruh-Bur, [A Kie-Ber], F Den S P Swe, F Swe H, [A Sil-Ber];

ITA (Zodds): [A Ven S F Adr-Trl], [F Alb S F Adr-Trs], [F Adr-Trs], A Vie H.

RUS (Anderson): [A Mos-StP], A Lvn-War, [F Bal-Kie];

TUR (York): [F Ion-Nap], [F Eae-Ion], [A Gre-Alb], A Ser-Trl, A Bud S A Ser-Trl, A Rum-Gal, F Bla-Rum.

Orders in brackets fail; d = unit destroyed due to lack of valid retreat; imp = impossible; nco = unit not so ordered; nep = no such place; neu = no such unit; otb = off the board; otm = unit on the move; (u) = unit unordered.

English F BRE must retreat otb or to ENG, MID, or PIC. Italian A VEN must retreat otb, or to APU, ROM, PIE, or TUS.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART

AUS: -Bud -Vie +Ven

ENG: Edi Lon Lpl Nwy StP +Par

FRA: Bre Mar -Par Pcr Spa

GER: Ber Kie Mun Bel Den Hol Swe

ITA: Nap Rom -Ven Tun +Tri +Vie

RUS: Mos Sev War

TUR: Ank Con Smy Bul Gre Rum Ser +Bud +Tri

(1) Tear 1

(6) Build 1*

(4) Tear 1

(7) Even

(4) Even **

(8) Even

(9) Build 2

* If English F BRE retreats otb, may build 2.

** If Italian A VEN retreats otb, may build 1.

Due next time are retreats and orders for Spring 1906.

EMBASSY BEAT

Berlin-Ankara: Hi!

Berlin-London: Let's get 'em!

Berlin-Moscow: I've tried to play ball with you, too. Now I'm forced to take action in the East. Abandon WAR immediately and evacuate your troops to Siberia. Do this now. Thanks for your offer but I can't turn my back on England.

Berlin-Paris: I've been very patient with you. Now I'm forced to take action against you. I have only wanted peace from the beginning. I have no choice but to ask you to turn PAR over to me immediately. You might as well throw in MAR as well. In fact, I suggest you evacuate French troops to NAF. It's for your own good.

France-England: GET OUT of my country! We've downsized our guillotines.

France-Germany: Nothing personal, just keep out of my country.

France-Turkey: You take A-H. I'll take Italy.

London: The 'Guardian' has received some dispatches from the Fleet visiting northern France. From a Corp. Arthur Kinks, a Royal Marine aboard the H.M.S. Warepite in Brest: "Well, the folks we're not real friendly at first but the wine was pretty good. Didn't do much by tea, but the food was a bit o' swirly...till they brought out those ruddy snails. I mean even hundred year old brandy don't make up for a plate full o' garden slug!"



ACHILLES EPOCH IV

100-790 A.D.



TAC <45+:

Dan Farrow

Debbie Osborne:

Paul Zieske:

Red

Azure

Purple

Chuck Wilson:

John Bryden:

Dave Anderson

Green

Black

Orange

We will play with colored monuments, fortresses. Persestence of Culture, US Navy (may play a 1F in either Atl or Pec as well as Car), and Epoch VIII.

EPOCH IV (CONTINUED):

THE BOARD:

A1: GLa, GPI: AIII: Alb(AM), Cau, EAn, Hig, NGa:

AIV: Cey, EDe(C,AM), EQh, Mal, Mek, SIK, Sum.

BII: WDe; BIII: CMa, Pyr, WGa, Wlb

GII: Wei(2,C,GM,f), Yan; GIII: Che, Eln, GaD(c,RM), JPC(C,GM,f), Irr, Sze(f), Yel(c,f)

OII: BSB, Hin; OIII: PPI(OM), Tur, Zag(C); OIV: Dal, Dan, Nap, SAp(c,PM).

PI: UNI(c,f); PII: CAm(C), Out, Nil(AM), Nub.

PIII: CEu, Cre(c), Dni, Ire, Lev(AM), Lib, MTi(c,PM), Mor, Pal, Pin(c,BM), Sha(PM), Slib, Tar(PM), UTi(RM), Wan, WSt;

RII: Bal; RIII: GaV, Lin(RM), PSD(2), Uln(c,BM).

WI: LTI(2,C,F).

Fleets: BoB(A), EMS(P), Nth(P), SCS(G), SoJ(G), WMS(P).

\$CORE (SP/VP): A(28/55), Q(22+/48+), R(22+/47+), B(39/56+), O(38/63), P(38+/78+).

HANS (B): Play "Kingdom": 1BII,c,f @ Gol. Play "Leader": Play 1A @ WSt (1PIIIr-Dni), 1A @ Tur (6,3,2,5 -1OII), 1A @ Tar (6,4,2,4,4 -1PII), 1A @ PPI (6,6,1,5,1 -1OIII), 2A, BM @ Zag (3,3,2,3; 5,3,3,6; 6,2,1,1 -1BIV, 1OIII, C +c), 1A @ Hin (5,2,2,5; 3,2,2,3; 5,4,4,2 -1OII), 1A @ Uln (5,4,2,4 -1RII,c), 1A @ Lin (6,3,3,4 -1RII), 1A @ GaV (4,5,1,4; 6,2,1,3 -1RII), 2A @ GaD (3,3,2,5; 6,1,1,2 -1BIV, 1OIII,c), 1A @ Mal (6,5,3,5,4 -1AIV), 1A @ Irr (6,6,5,2,2 -1OIII). Score: 56 + c(2) + M(2x2 +4) + Mid E(P=3) + China(P=3) + India(D=6) - 5 Eur(P=3) + N Eur(P=2) + SE Asia(P=2) = 85.

BYZANTINES (R): Play 1A,C @ Bal (-1RII), ...

Due next time are your orders for the rest of Epoch IV and pass/hold for Epoch V. You drew _____

\$CORE (SP/VP): A(28/55), Q(22+/48+), R(39/47+), B(39/55), O(38/63), P(38+/78+).

THE BOARD:

A1: GLa, GPI: AIII: Alb(AM), Cau, EAn, Hig, NGa:

AIV: Cey, EDe(C,AM), EQh, Mek, SIK, Sum.

BII: WDe; BIII: CMa, Gol(c,f), Pyr, WGa, Wlb; BIV: GaD(RM), GaV, Hin, Irr, Lin(RM), Mal, PPI(OM), Tar, PM; Tur, Uln(3M), WSt, Zag(c,BM).

GII: Wei(2,C,GM,f), Yan; GIII: Che, Eln, GPC(C,GM,f), Sze(f), Yel(c,f);

OII: BSB, ~~WSt~~ OIV: Dal, Dan, Nap, SAp(c,PM).

PI: UNI(c,f); PII: CAm(C), Out, Nil(AM), Nub; PIII: CEu, Cre(c), Dni(2), Ire, Lev(AM), Lib, MTi(c,PM), Mor, Pal, Pin(c,BM), Sha(PM), Slib, UTi(RM), Wan;

RII: PSD(2); RIV: Bal(C), ...

WI: LTI(2,C,F).

Fleets: BoB(A), EMS(P), Nth(P), SCS(G), SoJ(G), WMS(P).

PRESS:

Black-Everyone: Sorry for the delay, I was very busy the past month and literally had no time to do anything.

DOWN WITH THE KING

John Overthrown!!

Turn 7



The Cast (in Turn 7 movement order):

Countess Mary (#64): 3/28 PP, 2 IP, 15C, #34, #21, King John, #44, #54, #11
 Earl Michael (#15): 1/29 PP, 3 IP, 15C, #36, #51, #35(H), #43, #24
 Marquise Elizabeth (#62): 15/14 PP, 39 IP, 15C, #65(H), #55, #52
 Earl Richard (#14, MC): 60/31 PP, 21 IP, 12C, #41(H), #13, #46, Pr Alan, #25
 Marquise Ruth (#63): 10/26 PP, 1 IP, 12C, #53(H), #12, #16, #42, #61, #21, #65

The Cabinet:

Monarch: King John (50 Sup)	Consort: <Vacant>
Navy: Sir James (#22)	High Minister: Lord Percival (#41, Ri)
State: Duke Marley (#44)	Army: Duke Roland (#42, Ru)
Trade: Knight William (#26)	Justice: Earl Duncan (#34, Ma)
Epuling: Sir Drew (#11, Ma)	Besyzan: Earl Maxwell (#32)
Sandarkan: Sir Charles (#24)	Cronos: Knight Dale (#25, Ri)
City States: Sir Malcolm (#13, Ri)	Treasury: <VACANT>

ROYAL DEATHS: Alfred, Almery, Catherine, Phillip, George

Turn 7 (continued)

5. Player Turns (continued):

Earl Michael: Has the Gout (lose 1 IP and all activities. Has Thomas usurp the Throne!)

Usurpation Resolution:

Thomas (the Pretender) (3/2 = 2), Earl Michael (3), Faction (29), Townsman Support (5x5 = 25) + Foreign Support--Sandarkan (3x4 = 12), Clergy Support (1x3) = 74.

King John (4x3 = 12), NCs (22), NRCs (18), Monarch's Support (10) = 62

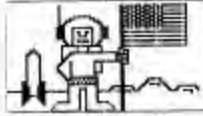
Success! King John dies in the coup! Thomas is now monarch with a support number of 60.

We halt things here to let all reevaluate the political wind. Due next time are any changes to your Turn 7 orders. Mary needs to discard one Treachery Card.

Countess Mary (#64): 10/21 PP, 2 IP, 16C, #34, #21, #44, #54, #11
 Earl Michael (#15): 1/29 PP, 2 IP, 15C, #36, #51, #35(H), #43, #24, King Thomas
 Marquise Elizabeth (#62): 15/14 PP, 39 IP, 15C, #65(H), #55, #52
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 Marquise Ruth (#63): 10/26 PP, 1 IP, 12C, #53(H), #12, #16, #42, #61, #21, #65



LIFTOFF! SEVEN DIE IN SPACE! ONE ON GROUND! 1964/65



THE CAST:

Andorra (Dave Anderson)

Duchy of Grand Fenwick (John Butts)

Republic of Texas (Andy York)

Spain (Dan Farrow)

Sweden (Al Bargender)

Cash from '63

1 MB

22 MB

32 MB

8 MB

19 MB

'64 Budget

140 MB

41 MB

43 MB

87 MB

88 MB

ERRATA: R&D Table errors are in **BOLD**. DGF announced 3 launches for 1964. Bascombe and Gasperdi are Fenwickians, not Texans.

1964

1. All collect budget (see above).

2. Random Events (see last issue): Texas pays 10 MB to solve Minor Problem.

Lingering Cards: (* used this turn)

AND: Fortunate Accident: negate next satellite failure

SWE: Buy additional astronauts for 1 MB.

3. AND: Buy six "A" (-18 MB), two "B" (-24 MB), one "G" (-30 MB), one "2" (-4 MB), one "3" (-6 MB), one "H" (-30 MB), and three astronauts (-6 MB, Aubrey Kast, Tiger Kate and Simba Kata).

DGF: Buy one "B" (-12 MB), initial "G" (-15 MB)

RoT: Buy two "1" (-2 MB), initial "B" (-60 MB)

SPA: Buy one "C" (-18 MB), one "c" (-12 MB), and initial "d" (-30 MB). Hire 2 new astronauts (-4 MB, Don Quixote & Sancho Panza).

SWE: Buy two "B" (-36 MB), two "b" (-12 MB) & 2 astronauts (-2 MB, Niels Safwenberg and Tormod Enfield).

4. Conduct Research:

AND: 5 dice on "B" (-20 MB, +14%).

DGF: 8 dice on "4" (-16 MB, +35+8%).

RoT: 3 dice on "a" (-3 MB, +8%).

SPA: 8 dice on "d" (-16 MB, +27%).

SWE: 8 dice on "b" (-16 MB, +21-12%).

5. Declare 1965 Missions: Andorra(3), Fenwick(3), Texas(2), Spain(1), & Sweden(3).

6. No one rushes.

7. Fenwick launches orbital satellite (1A): Lift off: 04 < 88%, EOB: 64 < 98%; Power Up: 72 < 98%. Success: add 1% to "A" and +2 MB to Budget.

Fenwick launches interplanetary satellite (B2): Lift off: 89 < 90%, EOB: 41 < 90%

Earth Mission Burn: 16 < 90%. A-OK so far, add 1% to "B".

Fenwick launches manned orbital mission (Bb) with A. LaFontaine & G. Gasperdi aboard: Lift off: 41 < 90; EOB: 84 < 85%; EOA: 39 < 85; E De-Orb Burn: 01 < 85;

Re-entry: 92 > 85%; Catastrophe: 36 < 85% YES! Capsule and all aboard burn up on re-entry. Reset "b" to 60%, add 1% to "B", and lose 10 MB from budget.

Texas launches orbital satellite (A1): Lift off: 40 < 91%, EOB: 62 < 97%; Power Up: 75 < 97%. Success: add 1% to "A" and "1" and +2 MB to Budget.

Texas launches orbital satellite (A1): Lift off: 50 < 92%, EOB: 36 < 98%; Power Up: 84 < 88%. Success: add 1% to "A" and +2 MB to Budget.

Sweden launches a lunar satellite fly-by (B2): Lift off: 84 < 90%; EOB: 67 < 92%, EMB: 62 < 92%; Lunar-Orb Burn: 34 < 92%; Lunar Orb Act: 40 < 92%. Success! Add 1% to "B" and "2" and 6 MB to budget.

Sweden launches a manned orbital (Bb) with Lena Ramgard & Niels Safwenberg aboard. Lift off: 13 < 91%; EOB: 92 > 85%; Catastrophe: 40 < 50% Yes! Capsule explodes!

Reset "b" to 100%, add 1% to "B" and subtract 10 MB from budget.

UN scrubs Sweden's manned orbital mission (Bb). Subtract 10 MB from budget.

Spain launches Launch Manned Lunar Orbit (Cc) with Don Quixote, Sancho Panza, and El Nino aboard. Lift off: 88 < 96%; Catastrophe (as per event card): 03 < 30%.

Rocket explodes on pad. Reset "C" to 60% and subtract 10 MB from budget.

1965

1. Andorra collects 130 MB, DGF collects 58 MB, RoT collects 72 MB, Spain collects 94 MB, Sweden collects 81 MB.

2. Draw Event Card:

AND: Budget -3 MB. Astronaut killed: Simba Kata run over by car.

DGF: Budget +5 MB. Fortunate accident: Next "b" failure cancelled.

RoT: Budget +3 MB: R&D bonus: Add "1" to all R&D dice.

SPA: Budget +6 MB, Espionage, Steal safety factor of one program from foe.

SWE: Budget +10 MB. Corporate investment. +6 MB

Due next time will be your purchases. R&D expenditures, rush decision for 1965 and if you plan a launch (and what) for 1966.

Country	From '64	'65 Budget	Cash '65	'66 Bud
Andorra	63 MB	130 MB	133 MB	127 A
Fenwick	17 MB	58 MB	75 MB	65 A
Texas	00 MB	73 MB	73 MB	76 N
Spain	10 MB	84 MB	94 MB	89 N
Sweden	41 MB	81 MB	127 MB	91 N

R&D Status Board (%/€)										
Prog.	ANDORRA		DG FENWICK		REP TEXAS		SPAIN		SWEDEN	
1:	63	64	63	64	63	64	63	64	63	64
2:	97/3	97/3	98/1	98/0	97/0	98/0			96/0	96/0
3:	45/1	45/2	90/1	90/0	90/1	90/1			92/1	93/0
4:					85/5	85/5	86/0	86/0	85/1	85/1
A:	92/2	92/8	88/5	89/5	91/6	95/6	87/1	87/1	91/0	91/0
B:	27/1	44/3	90/1	93/0			81/0	91/0	90/0	92/0
C:							96/1	60/1		
D:			85/1	85/1	85/8	85/3			84/1	84/1
EVA:	98/4	98/4							93/4	93/4
Q:	12/1	87/2								
a:	87/0	87/0	83/2	85/2	31/0	39/0	10/1	10/1	84/0	40/0
b:			85/1	20/0					75/0	10/1
c:							90/1	90/1		
d:								87/1		
h:	29/1	29/2								
L Fac:	3	3	2	3	2	2	1	1	2	3

Astronauts:

20%: B Bjorklund (SWE), De Duchette (AND), Barney (AND), Gomes (SPA)

10%: A Astronautics (AND), Sc Kaat (AND), Sh Kaat (AND), E Cid (SPA)

0%: Da Duchette (AND), J Katz (AND), Sc Katz (AND), R Onascek (RoT), R Onascek (RoT), T Bascombe (DGF), A. Kaat (AND), T Katz (AND).

PRESS:

"I'm sorry I agreed to this crazy idea of shooting a man up in the rocket", Duchesse Glorianna declared. "At least we had a working rocket to sell - now we have nothing"

"It would have worked if that idiot LaFontaine hadn't start using the piping for his drama" rumbled Tully Bascombe.

"The boy got lonely up there. Besides he had some very valuable insights on rebuilding the Capsule. And he does know what to expect", Dr. Kokints replied in a soothing tone.

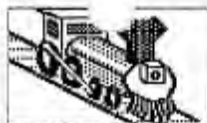
"Well - at least he is not going alone this time. I will make sure that he keeps his hands in his pockets" said Tully hotly.

"No, Tully, we have talked about this. You will go only in an emergency. Mr. Guido Gasparde almost for sure be able to go. He told me only this morning that he almost has his wife convinced to agree," said Glorianna. "Besides, he's a plumber - he can fix the problems if Winky gets musical again."



"Take us to your litter...."

ALL FIGURES ARE FOR END-OF-YEAR



1830

"???? IS ????"

OR 3



PLAYER STATUS

Hanna \$72, M&H, C&A, 2-PRR, 1-B&O (Priority)
 Chinnery \$74, 2-B&O, 3-C&O
 Fisher \$28, SVNR, 2-B&O, 3-PRR(P)
 Beck \$18, 4-B&O(P), 1-PRR
 Ringhoffer \$60, C&SL, 5-C&O(P)
 Farrow \$8, D&H, 1-B&O, 2-C&O, 2-PRR

CORPORATION STATUS

Corp	Value	Pool	IO	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
B&O	A 100	0	--	--	\$440	2-2*	115, (2)
C&O	C 82	0	--	--	\$550	2-2*	F6, (2)
PRR	D 71	-	2	\$75	\$680	1-2*	H12, (3)

Operating Round #8

Private Company Dividends: +\$5 Fisher, +\$10 Ringhoffer, +\$15 Farrow & +\$45 Hanna

B&O - No orders received, using VP orders from Don Chinnery - No tile lay, run trains - 115-119 for \$40 & 115-114 for \$50, payout \$9/share dividends, +\$56 Beck, +\$9 Hanna, +\$18 Chinnery, +\$15 Fisher & +\$9 Farrow, stock moves to A 112, no train purchase, treasury = \$440

C&O - Lay tile #69 in G7(ne), run trains - P2-P6 for \$70 & P6-G7 for \$40, payout \$10/share dividends, +\$50 Ringhoffer, +\$80 Chinnery & +\$20 Farrow, stock moves to C 90, no train purchase, treasury = \$550

PRR - Lay tile #57 in H16(w), run train - H12-H16 for \$30, payout \$3/share dividends, +\$9 Fisher, +\$5 Hanna, +\$6 Farrow & +\$3 Beck - stock moves to D 76, purchase 1-2* train for \$80, treasury = (\$680-\$80) = \$600

Since I did not receive orders from two players, I will postpone Stock Round #4 until next month. I have orders on hand for Stock Round #4 from Hanna, Chinnery, Fisher and Ringhoffer (all of which may submit new orders if you wish). (All vice presidents of companies (having two or more shares) are encouraged to submit possible orders in case the president has gone AWOL!)

PLAYER STATUS

Hanna \$182, M&H, C&A, 2-PRR, 1-B&O (Priority)
 Chinnery \$122, 2-B&O, 3-C&O
 Fisher \$60, SVNR, 2-B&O, 3-PRR(P)
 Beck \$52, 4-B&O(P), 1-PRR
 Ringhoffer \$120, C&SL, 5-C&O(P)
 Farrow \$58, D&H, 1-B&O, 2-C&O, 2-PRR

CORPORATION STATUS

Corp	Value	Pool	IO	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens
B&O	A 112	0	--	--	\$440	2-2*	116, (2)
C&O	C 90	0	--	--	\$550	2-2*	F6, (2)
PRR	D 76	-	2	\$75	\$600	2-2*	H12, (2)

Trains Available: \$3335 4444 555 66 DEDDDD

Tiles Available: #1(1), #2(1), #3(2), #4(2), #7(4), #8(6), #9(5), #56(1), #58(1), #57(2), #58(2)

Due next month are orders for Stock Round #4. Orders are due to Mark on 5 Feb 97.

1856

THE GREAT WHITE NORTH

CPR REACHES TORONTO.
BUYS 4 TRAIN

ORS 4.1 AND 4.2

ERRATA: Chinnery has \$3, as noted in the text, not \$8 as in the summary.**PLAYER HOLDINGS:** (* = president; certificate limit = 110)

Quist	\$5 co. 6LPS*	[priority]
Butitta	\$64 4CPR*	
Worrelmann	\$69 5WR*	
Farrow	\$33 soft. 5GW*	
Zieske	\$2 4GT*	
Chinnery	\$3 nfab. 2WR. 3LPS	

COMPANY STATUS

Name	Pres	Value	Pool	IQ	Par	Treas	Loans	Trains	Tkns	Debt
QT	PZ	D100	5	3	100	\$130	2 ft	3	P9.N11+2	KB(\$200)
CPR	JB	C90	1	5	90	\$205	3 w&w	3	M4.N3+2	N11
WR	WW	B80	---	3	90	\$215	5 --	34	O16.O18+1	L15(\$180)
LPS	MQ	G70	1	-	n/a	\$598	5 --	33	C14+1	---
GW	DF	F65	---	5	65	\$145	2 --	4	F15+8	A20

OPERATING ROUND 4.1

Private companies pay QT \$5, CPR \$10, Quist \$10 (\$15), Chinnery \$20 (\$23), and Farrow \$20 (\$53).

GT: Lays tile #9 in M8 (nw). Run Q8-P9-N11 (\$110). Pays interest of \$20. Pays dividends. (PZ +44, QT +33) Price rises to D110. Buys no train. Redeems government loan. (\$180 - 5 - 20 + 33 - 100 = \$98)**CPR:** Borrows \$100. Lays tile #23 in M8 (se). CPR reaches destination! Citizens of Toronto celebrate! Runs M4-N3-O2 (\$100). Pays interest of \$40. Retains earnings. (CPR +100) Price falls to C80. Buys 4-train. (\$205 + 10 + 100 - 40 + 100 = \$365)**WR:** Borrows \$100. Lays tile #7 in N15 (s) for \$40. Runs N17-O18-F19 & N17-O16-O18-P17 (\$270). Pays interest of \$60. Pays dividends. (WW +135, DC +34) Price rises to B90. Buys no train. (\$215 + 100 - 40 - 60 = \$215)**LPS:** Lays tile #9 in D15 (nw). Places token in F15 for \$40. Runs C14-B13-F15 & F15-F17 (\$180). Pays interest of \$50. Pays dividends. (MQ +108, DC +34, LPS +18) Price rises to F75. Buys no train. (\$598 - 40 - 50 + 18 = \$526)**GW:** Borrows \$100. Lays tile #5 in E16 (sw). Runs F17-F15-C14-B13 (\$180). Pays interest of \$30. Pays dividends. (DF +65) Price rises to F70. Buys no train. (\$145 + 100 - 30 = \$215)**OPERATING ROUND 4.2**

Private companies pay QT \$5, CPR \$10, Quist \$10 (\$17), Chinnery \$20 (\$148), and Farrow \$20 (\$138).

GT: Lays tile #8 in L7 (sw). Run Q8-P9-N11 (\$110). Pays interest of \$10. Pays dividends. (PZ +44, QT +33) Price rises to D125. Buys no train. Redeems government loan. (\$98 + 5 - 10 + 33 - 100 = \$26)**WR:** Borrows \$100. Lays tile #23 in N15 (se). Runs N17-O18-F19 & N17-O16-O18-P17 (\$270). Pays interest of \$70. Pays dividends. (WW +135, DC +34) Price rises to B100. Buys no train. (\$215 + 100 - 70 = \$245)**CPR:** Lays tile #59 in I12 (s) connections to se and sw. Taken in I12w. Runs M4-N3-O2 & M4-M6-N3-N11 (\$230). Pays interest of \$40, has \$35, so revenues reduced by \$10. Pays dividends. (JB +88, CPR +22) Price rises to C90. Buys no train. (\$25 + 10 - 30 + 22 = \$27)**LPS:** Lays tile #16 in F17 (ne). Runs C14-B13-F15 & F15-F17 (\$190). Pays interest of \$50. Pays dividends. (MQ +114, DC +57, LPS +19) Price rises to F80. Buys no train. (\$526 - 50 + 19 = \$495)

GW: Borrows \$100. Lays tile #57 in D17 (sw). Buy scft from Farrow for \$17-F15-C14-B13 (\$130). Pays interest of \$40. Pays dividends (DF +75). P75. Buys no train. (\$215 + 100 - 200 - 40 = \$75)

30. Runs
ce rises to

PLAYER HOLDINGS: (* = president; certificate limit = 11)

Quist \$247 cc, 6LPS* [priority]
Buttts \$152 4CPR*
Wardelmann \$339 5WR*
Farrow \$413 5GW*
Zieske \$90 4GT*
Chinnery \$262 nfeb, 2WR, 3LPS

COMPANY STATUS

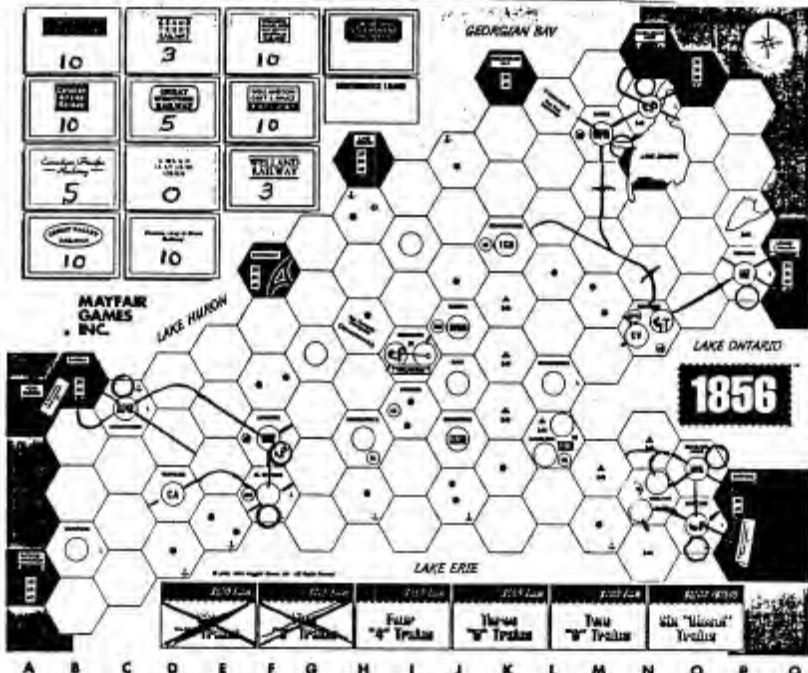
Name	Pres	Value	Pool	IO	Par	Tress	Loans	Trains	Tkns	Dest
GT	PZ	D125	8	3	100	\$26	0	it	3	P9.N11+2 K8(\$200)
WR	WW	B100	---	3	90	\$245	7	--	34	O16.O15+1 L15(\$180)
CPR	J8	C90	1	5	90	\$27	4	w&e	34	M4.N3.I12+1 ---
LPS	MQ	F80	1	-	n/a	\$495	5	--	33	C14.F15 ---
GW	DF	F75	---	5	65	\$75	4	scft	4	F15+3 A20

TRAINS AVAILABLE: 4,555,66,DD...

The Bank has \$9,629.

TILES AVAILABLE: #1(1), #2(1), #3(3), #4(3), #5(1), #6(3), #7(5), #8(12), #9(12), #14(2), #15(2), #16(1), #17(1), #18(1), #19(1), #20(1), #23(4), #24(4), #25(1), #26(1), #27(1), #28(1), #29(1), #55(1), #56(1), #57(3), #58(3), #59(2), #60(1), #121(2)

Due next time: SR5, and OR5, if you can manage it. I'll try to send e-mail advisories of what new companies float at what prices. Prospective new presidents should note that it may well take 5 shares sold to float a company: the Welland (and perhaps others) should be prepared to redeem a loan or two if so required. Please get me (Chuck Hanna) your orders BEFORE the deadline of 5 Feb.



1870

JAMES WEST

OR 3 & SR 4



ERRATA: KATY is at C82, not C76

PLAYER STATUS

Zieske \$84, GRS, 1 KATY, 2 SLSF (VP)
 Wordelmann \$76, SC, 3 SLSF (Pres)
 Quist \$162, 3 KATY (Pres) <Priority>
 Hanna \$70, MKT, 3 KATY (VP)
 Farrow \$44, MRB, 1 KATY, 2 SLSF
 Chinnery \$76, GS, 2 KATY, 1 SLSF

CORPORATION STATUS

Corp	Value	IO	Pool	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens	Shares	Dest
SLSF	B90	1	0	\$100	\$554	222	E12.(2)	1	M22
KATY	C82	0	0	\$68	\$400	222	B11.(2)	0	N1

OR3

Privates pay Zieske \$5, Farrow & Wordelmann \$10, Chinnery \$15, and Hanna \$20.

SLSF: Lay tile #8 in I14(nw) and #9 in J13(e). Play token in H13 (-\$40). Run E12-H13 (\$40) & H13-I14 (\$30). Pay dividends (WW +\$21, PZ +\$14, DF +\$14, DC +\$7, SLSF +\$7). stock goes to B100. Cannot buy MRB in Phase I (only MP & CB can).

KATY: Lay tile #8 in B3(e) and in C12(nw). Run B11-B9 (\$40). Pay dividends (MQ +\$12, CH +\$12, DC +\$8, PZ +\$4, DF +\$4). Price moves to C90.

SR 4

Quist passes. Hanna buys 1 SLSF (\$102-100 = \$2). SLSF sold out! All pass.

SLSF and KATY are sold out so rise to A110 and B100 respectively. Quist has the priority. Due next are orders for OR 4 and SR 5. Company presidents should include contingency orders for price supporting and redeeming their stock.

PLAYER STATUS

Zieske \$107, GRS, 1 KATY, 2 SLSF (VP)
 Wordelmann \$107, SC, 3 SLSF (Pres)
 Quist \$174, 3 KATY (Pres) <Priority>
 Hanna \$2, MKT, 3 KATY (VP), 1 SLSF
 Farrow \$72, MRB, 1 KATY, 2 SLSF
 Chinnery \$102, GS, 2 KATY, 1 SLSF

CORPORATION STATUS

Corp	Value	IO	Pool	Par	Cash	Trains	Tokens	Shares	Dest
SLSF	A110	0	0	\$100	\$561	222	E12, H13.(1)	1	M22
KATY	B100	0	0	\$68	\$400	222	B11.(2)	0	N1

TRAINS AVAILABLE: 233333344444455555566666688.10.10.12...

The Bank has \$10,471.

TILES AVAILABLE: #1(1), #2(1), #3(3), #4(5), #5(2), #6(0), #7(9), #8(19), #9(20), #55(1), #56(1), #57(3), #58(3), #69(1)

PRESS:

MEMO

From: Vice-President, Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railway
 To: President, Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railway
 Subj: Rolling Stock, Excess of

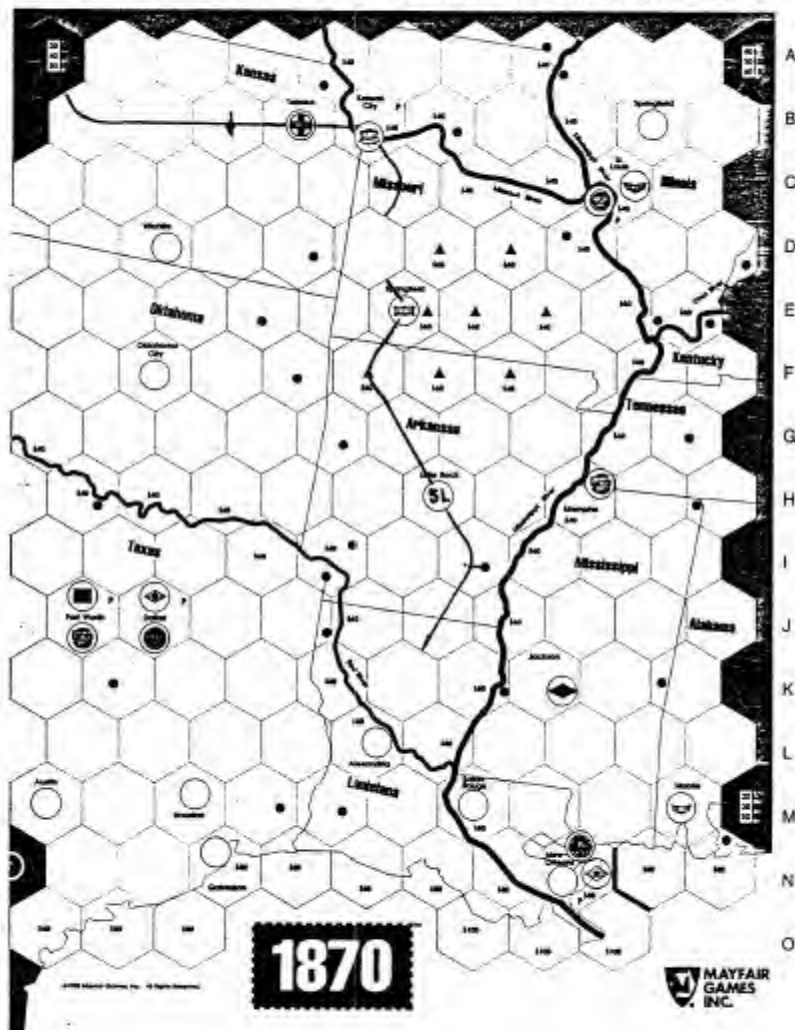
1. We have ONE two-train route and the opportunity to construct ONE more, for a total of TWO two-train routes. Why do we have THREE two-trains?

WASHINGTON--January 2, 1875

Representative Charles Napoleon (L-MD), chair of the House Transportation Committee.

today announced investigative hearings into the attempted purchase of the Mississippi River Bridge Company by the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad. "Such attempts by predatory capitalists to circumvent government restrictions on their greed cannot be tolerated," he said. Spokesmen for the Harrison administration claimed that Rep. Napoleon's ownership of the Missouri-Kansas-Texas private railroad should disqualify him as a disinterested investigator.

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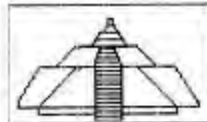




ADY CIVILIZATION

Calamities Abound!

Turns 9.9b-9.11



TURN 9 (cont):

9.9: TRADE

Babylon trades Grain, Oil & _____ to Egypt for Salt, Ivory, & _____

Babylon trades two Ivory & _____ to Assyria for Salt, Spice, & _____

Crete trades Hides, Timber & _____ to Egypt for Papyrus, Oil & _____

Thrace trades Wine, Bronze, & _____ to Assyria for Cloth, Ochre & _____

Note: Thrace made the same offer to Africa, but Assyria confirmed it 30 min before Africa did. Moral: confirm deals early.

9.10: RESOLVE CALAMITIES:

Earthquake: Babylon destroys Aleppo & Antioch (no tokens to reduce &

Treachery: Illyria must reduce one city.

Superstition: Thrace must reduce three cities.

Civil War: If Rome reduced, Illyria will lose 3T to Thrace, otherwise 7T.

Slave Revolt: Assyria must reduce a city (28T-15 = 13T < 247C).

Flood: Assyria must destroy a coastal city.

Barbarian Horde: 15T appear in Corduba (Combat: -1C, -5T). 3T remain, 8T attack

Hispania (-1C, -5T). 1T remains, 2T attack Tarracensis (-1 IB). 1T remains, 1T

attacks Lusitania (-1T, -1 IB).

Epidemic: Babylon reduces Mari & Damascus to 1T each, loses 2T from Syria, and 1T

from Parthia, Babylonia, Chaldea, Sumeria, Phoenicia, & Tyre (16T). Assigns 10T

to Africa, 6T to Crete, 5T to Thrace, and 4T to Assyria.

9.11: BUY CIV CARDS: Babylon buys MYSTICISM using four Salt (48) and 24 Assyria buys CLOTHMAKING an MUSIC & DRAMA for 5 credit from Mysticism, 19t, two Ivory (26), two Dye (32), Bronze (6), Grain (4), Timber (3), and Ochre (1).

PRESS:

Egypt-Afr: Is anyone out there worried about the Assyrian hordes to the North? We'd be willing to loan a battalion of slaves to stop them.

THE BOARD

AFRICA: C @ Carthage, Girta, Cyrene, Palermo, Thapsa, Tripoli; S @ Milazzo, Cyrenaica; 2T @ Cyrenaica, Milazzo, Numidia, Tunisia, W Mauritania; 1T @ E Mauritania, Jalo, Libya, New Africa, Sahara, Subrata, Tripolitania.

ASSYRIA: C @ Ankara, Gordium, Kanesh, Miletus, Nineveh, Salamis, Sinope, 3T @ Armenia, Elam, Van; 2T @ Antioch, Bithynia, Cilicia, Cyprus, Galatia, Media, Mikop; 1T @ Cappadocia, Caucasus, Kuban, L Armenia, Lyca, Nalchik, Phrygia. MYSTICISM, ASTRONOMY, CLOTHMAKING, MUSIC & DRAMA.

BABYLON: C @ Babylon, Carrhae, Sidon, Susa; 1T @ Arabia, Babylonia, Chaldaea, Damascus, Jericho, Mari, Midian, Parthia, Phoenicia, Sumeria, Syria, Tyre. COINAGE, MYSTICISM.

BARBARIANS: 2T @ Corduba, 1 @ Hispania, Tarracensis.

CRETE: C @ Argos, Eretria, Rhodes, Sparta; 1S @ Chalcia, Illyricum, Thera; 2T @ Chalcia, Delphi, Illyricum, Knosus, Phaeos, Thessaly; 1T @ Athens, Corinth, Sparta.

EGYPT: C @ Buhen, Jerusalem, Sardinia, Siwa, Thebes, 4T @ U Egypt; 3T @ Tanis; 2T @ Alexandria, Fayum, Ptolemais, W Desert; 1T @ E Desert, Gass, Memphis, Nubia, Sinai.

IBERIA: C @ Ebrusus, Massilia, New Carthage; 1S @ Balaeres, Pannonia, Pyrenees, Sardinia; 3T @ Aquitania; 2T @ Pyrenees; 1T @ Caralis, Corsica, Gaul, Lugdunensis, Narbo, Rhaetia. CLOTHMAKING.

ILLYRIA: C @ Appollonia, Ithaca, Rome, Tarentum; 1S @ Tarentum & Belgica; 4T @ Pannonia; 2T @ Belgica, L Germany, Rubicon; 2T @ Dacia, Etruria, Germany; 1T @ Dalmatia, Rhine, Samnium, U Germany.

THRACE: C @ Byzantium, Sardes, Thessalonica, Troy, Tyras; 3S @ Thera; 1S @ Troy; 2T @ Danube, Moesia, Thera, Thrace, 1T @ Crimea, Ionia, Lesbos, Seythia.

Your Cards are:

1996 Diplomacy Hobby Awards

Don Miller Memorial Award for hobby service goes to: **Manus Hand** for producing *The Diplomatic Pouch* and increasing the visibility of Diplomacy on the Internet.

Rod Walker Award for the best Diplomacy article goes to: **Tim Hoyt** for his article Sim Tzu and the Art of War which appeared in *Diplomacy World* #76.

John Koning Memorial Award for best play of Diplomacy goes to: **Mike Gonsalves** for his long term success in pbm and tournament play.

Fred Hyatt Memorial Award for excellence in GMing goes to: **Andy Lischett** for his long and excellent GMing in *Cheesecake*.

I would like to thank all the voters, publishers and committee members who participated in the awards process this year. Everyone's support and encouragement over the past four years has enabled me to keep things going, albeit at a slower pace than I would have wished. I hope that you will extend your support to the new Chair of this committee, Melinda Holley. I am sure that most of you need no introduction to Melinda who has been a driving force in the postal hobby for many years. You should expect to hear from her sometime in January or February regarding nominations for the 1997 awards. Good luck, Melinda.

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DUNE

Fenring A Traitor!



URNS 5 & 6

THE CAST

ATREIDES (Fisher): KH, 2L, 10S, 3C, 8T @ Arrakeen, 6T @ False Wall West(s17*).

EMPEROR (Deb Osborne): 56S, 4C, 6T & 3* @ Habbanya Ridge Sietch, 5T Habbanya Flat, 3T & 2* @ False Wall West(*), 1T @ Harg Pass(s5).

FREMEN (Anderson): 9S, 3C, 7T @ Sietch Tabr, 5T @ Rock Outcroppings.

GUILD (Wilson): 50S, 4C, 6T @ Tuek's Sietch, 2T @ False Wall South(s5).

HARKONNEN (Bryden): 5S, 8C, 5L, 6T @ Carthag, 6T @ Hagga Basin.

IX (Narhi): 17S, 3C, 5T @ Polar Sink, 5T Shield Wall.

TANKS: 4A, 1F, 2G, 5H, 4I; Lady J, B Raban, G Halleck, Color

ERRATA: F has 7T @ HR Sietch. 1x, not Atreides, moved 5T from Arrakeen to the Shield Wall. G has 2T @ FWS(s5). E has 1T @ Harg's Pass(s5).

TURN 5 (concluded)

- COMBAT**: E (3T & 2*) vs A (6T @) at False Wall West. A plays "Karama" and demands to see the Emperor's entire battle plan. E plays Count Fenring(6), 4S, Crysknife, Shield and dials 6. A plays Dr. Yueh, KH, 0 Spice, no cards, dial 1/2 and declares the Count his traitor. A gets 6S and takes no losses; E loses all.
- SPICE COLLECTION**: I collects 20S, E collects 10S at Habbanya Ridge Flat, H collects 6S at Hagga Basin and 2S for Carthag. A collects 2S for Arrakeen, G collects 1S for Tuek's Sietch.

TURN 6

- The **STORM** moves from Sector 4 to Sector 6. The Imperial token in Harg's Pass is killed. The next Storm chit is _.
- SPICE BLOW**: Shai Halud appears in Hagga Basin(6) devouring H's 6T there. Broken Lond(8) and Cellaga North(8) have spice blows. We have a nexus! Alliances may be made or broken. The top Spice card is _.
- BIDDING**: There are 4 cards available. They are:

Due next time are orders for any voluntary actions from Turn 6 Bidding to Turn 7 Spice Blow. We will stop for any combat. Please specify what sectors your troops are in.

ATREIDES (Fisher): KH, 2L, 18S, 2C, 8T @ Arrakeen, 6T @ False Wall West(s17*).

EMPEROR (Deb Osborne): 62S, 2C, 6T & 3* @ Habbanya Ridge Sietch, 5T Habbanya Flat.

FREMEN (Anderson): 9S, 3C, 7T @ Sietch Tabr, 5T @ Rock Outcroppings.

GUILD (Wilson): 51S, 4C, 6T @ Tuek's Sietch.

HARKONNEN (Bryden): 13S, 8C, 5L, 6T @ Carthag, 6T @ Hagga Basin.

IX (Narhi): 37S, 3C, 5T @ Polar Sink, 5T Shield Wall.

TANKS: 4A, 3E, 3E*, 1F, 2G, 11H, 4I; Lady J, B Raban, G Halleck, Colonel, Count Fenring.

LEGEND: * = starred token, (@) = aggressor, A = Atreides, C = card, E = Emperor, F = Fremmen, G = Guild, H = Harkonnen, I = 1x, KH = Kwitzach Haderach, L = leaders, S = spice, s# = sector #, T = token.

STELLAR CONQUEST

JAMES T KIRK--Due next time are:



BRITANNIA

Turn 8
560-635 A.D.



PURPLE: Paul Zieske
GREEN: Peter Boyum

BLUE: Shane Beck
RED: David Anderson

The Board:

WELSH (2): 2A @ Cornwall, Devon, Dyfed, Gwent, Gwynedd, Powys; 1A @ Clwyd.
BRIGANTES (0): 1A @ Galloway; 2A @ Pennines.
PICTS (0.5): 2A @ Dalraida, Skye; 1A @ Caithness, Mar, Moray.
CALEDONIANS (0): 2A @ Hebrides, Orkneys.
IRISH (1): 1A, R @ Atlantic; 2A Cumbria.
SCOTS (0): 1A @ Strathclyde; 2A @ Fergus @ Dunedin; 1A @ Alban.
SAXONS (2.5): 1R @ Frisia; 2A @ Downlands, Lindsey; 1A @ Avalon, Kent, S Mercia, Sussex, Wessex.
ANGLES (2): 3A @ York; 2A @ Bernicia, Lothian, N Mercia, Norfolk; 1 @ North.

Score: Purple 51, Green 36, Red 35.5, Blue 34.

Turn 8 (continued)

Blue is NMR so GM removes 1A @ York to comply with Overpopulation rule.

PICTS (0.5): NMR: Grow 2.5 Pop Pts. Add 1A @ Caithness. Hold.
CALEDONIANS (0): Grow 1 Pop Pt. Hold.
IRISH (1): Grow 1 Pop Pt. 1A, R @ Atlantic-Clwyd (4.1:3; 5.2:2; 4.3:3; 4.2:2; 5.4:2, 2.1:1; 6.3:6 - 1 Welsh & 1 Irish R).
SCOTS (1): Fergus dies. Grow 2.5 Pop pts. Add 1A @ Alban. 1A Irish-Strathclyde.
SAXONS (2.5): Grow 7 Pop Pts. Add 1A @ Avalon, S Mercia, Sussex. 1A Sussex-Essex, 1A S Mercia-Suffolk, 1A Downlands-Hwicce.

Due next time are orders for Angles for Turn 8 and Welsh through Saxons for Turn 9.

Score: Purple 51, Green 36, Red 35.5, Blue 34.

The Board:

WELSH (2): 2A @ Cornwall, Devon, Dyfed, Gwent, Gwynedd, Powys.
BRIGANTES (0): 1A @ Galloway; 2A @ Pennines.
PICTS (0): 2A @ Caithness, Dalraida, Skye; 1A @ Mar, Moray.
CALEDONIANS (1): 2A @ Hebrides, Orkneys.
IRISH (2): 1A @ Clwyd; 2A Cumbria.
SCOTS (0.5): 2A @ Alban, Dunedin, Strathclyde.
SAXONS (0.5): 1R @ Frisia; 2A @ Avalon, Lindsey; 1A @ Downlands, Hwicce, Kent, S Mercia, Suffolk, Sussex, Wessex.

ANGLES (2): 2A @ York; 2A @ Bernicia, Lothian, N Mercia, Norfolk; 1 @ North.

LEGEND: A = army, L = leader, R = raider, (#) = population points, r-??? = retreats to ???.

Press:



MAGIC REALM SYLVAN IN TROUBLE!! Woodfolk Appear! EVENING 18 / Day 19



THE CAST:

Dave Anderson:
John Butitta:
Marcel Carbonneau:
Don Chinnery:
Dan Farrow:
Dan Osborne:
Debbie Osborne:

Bennie the Berserker
Willie the Pilgrim
Amber Rose the Amazon (deceased)
Razi the (optional) Wizard (deceased)
Sinplomo the Sorcerer (aka Misty, deceased)
Smaug of the Dark Helmet, a Black Knight
Thorn of the Grotto, an Amazon (deceased)
Sylvan the (optional) Druid

ERRATA: Bennie needed two REST phases to heal his fatigued MOVE H4*, so didn't get to his FIGHT H4* last time.

EVENING 18

MONSTER ROLL = 2

AT CV4: Willie casts "Small Blessing" using his MAGIC 14* and WHITE 6*; result 4,4 = "I Wish for Peace".

AT CHAPEL: Smaug tries to buy the morning star: T(2+1 = x4), T(2+1 = x4).

Day 19

MONSTER ROLL = 2

Willie @ CV4: R(MAGIC 14*), R(MAGIC 16*), SFX, SP(convert MAGIC 16* to WHITE).

Bennie @ CV2: R, R(wounded FIGHT H4* to normal), R, R(wounded FIGHT T5* to normal), R(wounded FIGHT T6* to fatigued). NOTE: 1 more "R" until at full health.

Sylvan @ CV1: H1 = y), M CV4, M MW5, M NW5 (SCF). Woodfolk appear at the SCF.

Smaug @ Chapel: T(6+1 = Trouble; 6+1 = Blocked).

COMBAT: Smaug and the Order (3+1 = no deal) agree to disagree. Sylvan is detected by her enemies the Woodfolk (6,2 = Battle) and now must fight!

Due next time are orders for Evening 19 and Day 20.

DEAD PILE: Ralph, Roger & Ruoul. Ponies BHQ & B2-B5. H dragon, two H flying dragons, two H spiders, three bats, two axe-goblins.

BOARD NOTES:

Nut Woods, Cliff, and Caves are enchanted. A bat is at DW1. The Order has Cloven Hoof (BLACK, +1 to all rolls) at the Chapel. There are two H trolls & the Altar at Ru1. The Lost Castle is at Cr1. Two ghosts haunt DV2. The Pool is at Cs6; a T Troll is at Cs3; a short sword, helmet, and breastplate are at Cs4 and Cr5. There is a T dragon at Cl2, and the TF Dragon at the Hoard at BL6. The Small Campfire, the Woodfolk, & the Bashkars are at NW5. Cr5 has a T spider, and the Cairns. Two small treasures are abandoned at the Inn. Large Campfire is at LW4. Lost City is HP3 with the Vault, the Lair and a T dragon. The Shrine, a six-pack of spear goblins is at HP4. The Statue is at Cn2. Giants are at Le4 and Cr6. Four axe-goblins are in HP5.

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